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Status						
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 05 Ap	<u>oril 2006</u> .					
2a)⊠ This action is <b>FINAL</b> . 2b)☐ This	action is non-final.					
3) Since this application is in condition for allowar	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is					
closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Disposition of Claims						
4) Claim(s) 6 and 8-10 is/are pending in the application.						
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.						
6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>6 and 8-10</u> is/are rejected.						
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.						
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.						
Application Papers						
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.						
10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.						
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).						
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).						
11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.						
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119						
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).						
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:  1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents	have been received					
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No						
3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).						
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1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) Interview Summary	(PTO-413)				
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

# Response to Arguments

- 1. Applicant's arguments, filed 4/5/06, with respect to Leon have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection with respect to Leon has been withdrawn.
- 2. The examiner disagrees with the arguments concerning Sakai. As only two ingredients are required by the instant claims and as only one ingredient is required for choosing, one of ordinary skill in the art of chemistry would not be required to pick and choose these ingredients but would instead only be require to select an individual ingredient. As such selections are not extraordinary it is deemed that one of ordinary skill would be able to determine the applicant's invention in light of the Sakai reference.
- 3. Furthermore, it is known in the art to use different corrosion inhibitors as they function in roughly the same manner (i.e. preventing oxidation of copper).

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

- 4. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.
- 5. Claims 6, 8-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kobayashi, Masakazu (US6815151).

Concerning the copper wiring and the semiconductor, Kobayashi, Masakazu teaches the following:

The conventional process for manufacturing **semiconductor** devices and liquid crystal display devices comprises forming a resist pattern on a conductive metallic film made of aluminum, **copper**, aluminum alloy, etc. or an insulating film made

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of SiO.sub.2, etc. on a substrate, selectively etching the conductive metallic film or insulating film utilizing the formed pattern as a mask to thereby form fine circuits, and then removing the unnecessary resist pattern layer with the use of a remover solution. (*emphasis added*)

Concerning the basic compound, Kobayashi, Masakazu teaches the following:

A positive-type photoresist (THMR-ip3300, manufactured by Tokyo Ohka Kogyo Co., Ltd.) composed of a naphthoquinone diazide compound and a novolak resin was applied with a spinner on a silicone wafer (6 in) metallized with an Al--Si-Cu film having a thickness of about 1.0 .mu.m. After drying at 90.degree. C. for 90 seconds, a resist film of 1.05 .mu.m in thickness was formed. Next, this resist film was exposed to light via a mask pattern NSR-2005i10D (manufactured by Nikon Corporation) and then developed with a 2.38% by weight aqueous solution of **tetramethylammonium hydroxide** to thereby form a resist pattern, which was then post-basked at 120.degree. C. for 90 seconds. (*emphasis added*)

Concerning the sugar alcohol, mannitol, sugar alcohols and the glucose, Kobayashi, Masakazu teaches the following:

Examples of the saccharide include D-sorbitol, arabitol, mannitol, sucrose and starch, with D-sorbitol being preferred. (emphasis added)

Concerning the optional ketone solvent, optional ester solvents and the optional sulfur solvent, Kobayashi, Masakazu teaches the following:

If needed, the rinsing solution may further contain other water soluble organic solvents. Examples of the water soluble organic solvents include monohydric alcohols such as methyl alcohol, ethyl alcohol and isopropyl alcohol; ketones such as acetone; sulfoxides such as dimethyl sulfoxide; sulfones such as dimethyl sulfone, diethyl sulfone, bis(2-hydroxyethyl) sulfone and tetramethylene sulfone; amides such as N,N-dimethylformamide, N-methylformamide, N,Ndimethylacetamide, N-methylacetamide and N,N-diethylacetamide; lactams such as N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone, N-ethyl-2-pyrrolidone, N-propyl-2-pyrrolidone, Nhydroxymethyl-2-pyrrolidone and N-hydroxyethyl-2-pyrrolidone; imidazolidinones such as 1,3-dimethyl-2-imidazolidinone, 1,3-diethyl-2imidazolidinone and 1,3-diisopropyl-2-imidazolidinone; lactones such as .gamma.-butyrolactone and .delta.-valerolactone; and polyhydric alcohols and derivatives thereof such as ethylene glycol, ethylene glycol monobutyl ether, ethylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, ethylene glycol monoethyl ether acetate, diethylene glycol, diethylene glycol monomethyl ether, diethylene glycol monoethyl ether, diethylene glycol monobutyl ether and propylene glycol. Among all, it is preferable to use methyl alcohol, ethyl alcohol, isopropyl alcohol, ethylene glycol or propylene glycol. (emphasis added)

#### Conclusion

6. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gregory E. Webb whose telephone number is 571-272-1325. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00-17:30 (m-f).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Douglass McGinty can be reached on (571)272-1029. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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